

26 May 2004

The site visit conducted on 25 May 2004 included a question/answer period. The following is documentation of questions and responses.

**Q.** Bid schedule. If the work for a particular line item is not executed during the contract, would the Contractor still get paid for that line item?

**A.** The bid schedule is lump sum for the Base Contract and Option 1, 2, 3, and 5, for which the Contractor would be paid the lump sum bid price. Option 4 line items are unit price, so payment would be based on actual quantities.

**Q.** Option 4, general. How would the completion of the Base Contract or Option work be handled if Option 4 was exercised?

**A.** Currently there is nothing in the contract to address this issue. The only contract mechanism would be a modification to the contract to address any work required to complete the work but not covered in the existing contract.

**Q.** General. How would structural modifications to the stilling basin be addressed?

**A.** There are no requirements in the contract for structural modifications to the stilling basin.

**Q.** General. Is there any piezometric data available for the area around the stilling basin?

**A.** There are two piezometers adjacent to the stilling basin, and data will be provided by amendment to the contract.

**Q.** Option 5, general. Where in the contract is PCB abatement covered?

**A.** The specifications will be reviewed and a response will be forthcoming.

**Further Response upon Investigation:** References to the PCB abatement are included in the Bid Schedule, Item 0006, Option 5, and in Specifications SECTION 13280 Asbestos Abatement.

**Q.** Section 1110, paragraph 1.2.3.4 Downstream Water Quality Discharge Requirement. Are there any requirements for downstream water quality discharges during the 3 days allowed for dewatering equipment setup?

**A.** No. The 3-day maximum for no releases is intended to minimize impacts to downstream wildlife.

**Q.** Section 1110, paragraph 1.2.3.4. Is the 15 cubic feet per second discharge requirement from 1 April through 30 September a minimum or a maximum?

**A.** That is THE discharge requirement. If releases will be made through the outlet works to meet the discharge requirement, the control gates will be adjusted as required to maintain the required discharge. The Corps of Engineers will maintain the control gates at all times.

**Q.** Staging Area, general. Can material be stored on both sides of the stilling basin area?

**A.** Sheet C-3, Aerial Photo Site Plan was referenced. The drawing shows a designated staging and materials storage area. There are smaller areas within the construction limits that could be utilized for short term storage of equipment and materials, however the intent is to minimize this practice due to interference with the adjacent campground.

**Q.** General. What is the intended schedule for award and notice to proceed for the contract?

**A.** The intent is for the Corps of Engineers to issue award and expedite notice to proceed. The Contractor should be prepared for this and have required submittals in order in anticipation of this. The project will be required to move quickly to meet the requirements of Amendment 1.

**Q.** HUBZone Contractor, general. Does a registered HUBZone Contractor receive a 10% evaluation preference?

**A.** This needed to be evaluated so a response was deferred.

**Further Response upon Investigation:** Reference Section 0700, 52.219-4 NOTICE OF PRICE EVALUATION PREFERENCE FOR HUBZONE SMALL BUSINESS CONCERNS (JAN 1999).

**Q.** Contact information for the local electrical company?

**A.**

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Ellsworth, KS. 67439  
1.800.530.5572